

Region 3 GPRA Baseline RCRA Corrective Action Facility

Sterling Casket Hardware Company

**14430 Enterprise Road
Abingdon, VA 24210
Congressional District 9
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Current Progress at the Site

This facility is one of EPA Region III's high priority RCRA corrective action sites. The Commonwealth of Virginia recently conducted an Environmental Indicator (EI) inspection and file review at this facility and determined that additional information needs to be gathered in order to determine if the EIs have been met. In order to fill in data gaps for the "Current Human Exposures" EI, a contractor has been tasked to develop a sampling plan and to collect and analyze soil samples. Soil samples are scheduled to be collected in late July/early August 2002.

Statistically significant increases in the groundwater levels of nickel and chromium appear to indicate that the "Groundwater" EI has not been met. However, pursuant to an April 24, 2002 telephone conversation with facility representatives, the facility indicated a desire to install new wells because of the poor quality of samples that can be obtained from the existing wells. It is believed that an appropriate groundwater monitoring system may provide more representative samples and reduce the elevated metals concentrations found presently in samples collected from the existing system.

Site Responsibility

This facility has been issued a Consent Order for the establishment and payment into of Trust Fund designed to meet the financial assurance requirements of post-closure for the regulated land-based unit at the facility. The terms of the order require the facility to conduct all applicable post-closure care requirements specified in 40 CFR 264. The appropriate mechanism for RCRA Corrective Action activities at this facility has yet to be determined. Discussions with EPA III are on-going.

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